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SUBJ: LABOR DISPUTE INVOLVING FOREIGN AIRLINES

USUN FOR AMB SCOTT

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1. PANAM'S THERIAGA HAS ADVISED EMBASSY THAT GOP'S
THREAT NOT TO ALLOW PANAM TO RESUME FLIGHTS INTO AZORES
(REF A) HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN. SECRETARY OF STATE FOR
COMMUNICATION AND TRANSPORT CALLED HIM IN LATE AFTERNOON
AUGUST 22 TO SAY THAT GOP DID NOT LIKE IDEA OF PANAM
LANDING AT SANTA MARIA ON SAME DAYS OF WEEK AS PORTUGUESE
CARRIER TAP, BUT THAT GOP NEVERTHELESS WOULD ALLOW PANAM
TO DO SO. THIS EXTRANEIOUS ISSUE ACCORDINGLY NOW APPEARS
TO BE REMOVED FROM MATTER OF LABOR DISPUTE (REF B).

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2. BEGINNING AUGUST 26, DAILY WORK STOPPAGES HAVE BEEN INCREASED TO TWO HOURS. HOURS CHOSEN ARE NOT REPEAT NOT SAME EACH DAY AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED (PARA 3, REF B). FIRST WEEK'S SCHEDULED STOPPAGES AT AIRPORT WERE: MONDAY 9-10 AM, TUESDAY 5-6 PM, WEDNESDAY 10-11 AM, THURSDAY 5-6 PM, FRIDAY 11-12 NOON, SATURDAY 3-4 PM, SUNDAY 12NOON - 1 PM. TO MAKE AN ALREADY CONFUSING SITUATION WORSE, STOPPAGES AT IN-CITY AIRLINE TICKET OFFICES ARE FOLLOWING STILL ANOTHER SCHEDULE (10-NOON THIS MONDAY, FOR EXAMPLE). THERIAGA REPORTS EFFECTS OF STRIKE HAVE BEEN GREATER AT TICKET OFFICES THAN AT AIRPORT.

3. MEANWHILE, LABOR DISPUTE HAS PROPOSED AIRLINES GIVE UP UNTIL END 1974 THEIR RIGHT TO DISMISSAL WITHOUT CAUSE. THIS WAS REJECTED BY AIRLINES. ALTERNATE MINISTRY PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH COMMITTEE (2 MEMBERS FROM AIRLINES, 2 FROM UNIONS, 1 FROM MINISTRY) TO REVIEW ALL CASES OF DISMISSAL WITHOUT CAUSE DURING NEGOTIATIONS WAS ACCEPTED BY AIRLINES BUT REJECTED BY UNIONS.
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